

Missouri Recovery Community Centers



2021 Summary



Expanded Recovery Access

FOUR new RCCs opened in Missouri



Recovery Community Centers (RCCs) are independent, non-profit organizations that provide a peer-based supportive community that builds hope and supports healthy behaviors for individuals with substance use disorders and their families no matter what phase of use or recovery they may be in. They help build recovery capital to help individuals initiate and sustain recovery over time by providing compassion, supportive relationships, advocacy training, recovery information, peer-support, social activities, and connection to treatment and other community-based services. In 2021, Missouri RCCs served over **20,000** individuals despite facing struggles due to COVID-19. More than **8,600** of those served were individuals with an Opioid Use Disorder (OUD).

2021 News

In 2021, Missouri expanded behavioral health care access across the state by adding four new Recovery Community Centers funded through the Division of Behavioral Health substance use block grant: LIFE Recovery Community Center in St. Louis, The Reentry Opportunity Center, "The ROC", in Columbia, Landmark Recovery Center in Jefferson City, and We Do Recover in Cape Girardeau.

The RCCs are hubs for naloxone, recovery meetings, community events, getting connected to treatment or housing, and additional services like wound care, meals, shower services, laundry, and more.

They also receive funding to provide employment services through the RCC. This is usually a peer who is hired by the RCC to help with resumes, job searching, interview preparation, and securing employment.



Recovery Community Centers: Services, Outreach, and Impact

2021 Highlights

In 2021, Missouri RCCs...

- Were open over **10,000** hours.
- Offered over **8,000** activities to individuals with SUD.
- Reached over **2,800** individuals through community events and activities.
- Served more than **8,000** individuals who had never before utilized RCC services.
- Outreached over **10,000** individuals throughout the year.
- Provided over **6,300** telephone support calls.
- Distributed over **7,000** **Naloxone** kits.

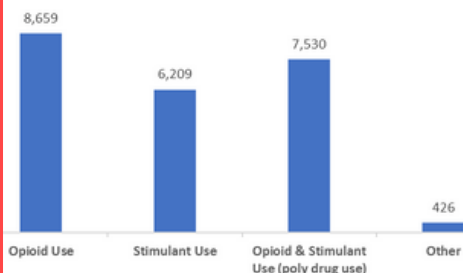


RCCs reported **426**
lives saved due to
Naloxone use.*

*Estimated number of OD reversals due to underreporting.

RCCs' Client Population

Attendance at RCCs by Drug of Choice



Employment Assistance



643

individuals utilized
employment
assistance services



266

individuals gained
employment*

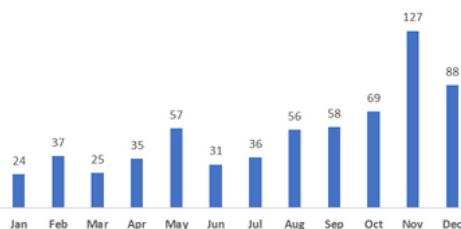


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employers engaged

*The data provided reflects the number of individuals that were hired by an employer. However, employment specialists are not always able to track employment stability over time.

Individuals Assisted with Employment
by Month (2021)



The number of individuals receiving employment services began increasing in October due to new RCCs opening up and beginning to provide these services.

Due to COVID-19, the RCC's had to quickly adapt their services to continue assisting the community. They did so by offering virtual recovery meetings, telephone support calls, and providing personal protective equipment and at home meals.